Wycombe out at own

WYCOMBE Wanderers are out of the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup final—at their own request, following the discovery that they had fielded an ineligible player in their semi-final victory over Chesham United.

After making the discovery that their mid-field player Graham Mackenzie had already been cup-tied with Hungerford Town, Wycombe asked the Berks and Bucks to let them withdraw from the competition.

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In his letter to the county, Blues secretary John Goldsworthy said: "On behalf of my club I tender my apologies to your association for the most unfortunate breach of the rules and in view of the doubts which will now be cast on the integrity of my club, we see no option but to seek your committee's permission to withdraw from further participation

in the competition."

The county replied that in the light of the letter, they would accede to Wycombe's request. So the Senior Cup final at Slough on Easter Monday will be between Hungerford Town and Chesham United.

Explaining the club's action Mr. Goldsworthy said: "We tried to act with dignity and a certain

amount of honour. We have made a mistake and as honourable men we seek to withdraw."

This is the second successive year that Wanderers have lost the chance of winning the Senior Cup off the field of play. Last season Blues lost the Cup after beating Thatcham in the final, because their players refused to receive the Cup and medals after the match. This was in protest at the County's decision to forbid them from entering the London Senior Cup.